

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
December 12, 2016**

- TIME AND PLACE:** The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on December 12, 2016 in Training Room 1, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kelly McDonough, DNP, RN, Chairperson
Guia Caliwagan, RN, MSN, EdS
- STAFF PRESENT:** Jane Elliott, RN, PhD, Discipline Staff
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Cynthia Gaines, Adjudication Specialist
- CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:** **Candace McNeil, LPN 0002-069483**
Ms. McNeil appeared.
- CLOSED MEETING:** Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 9:50 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. McNeil. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.
- RECONVENTION:** The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:15 A.M.
- Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.
- ACTION:** Ms. Caliwagan moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Candace McNeil and place Ms. McNeil on probation with terms for one (1) year of employment as a practical nurse.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.
- An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. McNeil unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. McNeil within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Astride Laguerre, LPN 0002-074659
Ms. Laguerre did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:30 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Laguerre. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:40 A.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Caliwagan moved to offer Astride Laguerre a Consent Order for indefinite suspension of her license for not less than two (2) years in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Laguerre and the Board.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Brandi Hart, RMA Applicant by Exam
Ms. Hart did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:50 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Hart. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:55 A.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Caliwagan moved to issue an Order to deny Brandi Hart's application for registration as a Registered Medication Aide.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Hart unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Hart within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Krystal Watson, LPN 0002-089318

Ms. Watson appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:30 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Watson. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:50 P.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Caliwagan moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Krystal Watson and require she submit to a chemical dependency evaluation by a chemical dependency specialist satisfactory to the Board and have a written report of the evaluation, including a diagnosis, recommended course of therapy, and prognosis sent to the Board within 90 days from the date the Order is entered. Ms. Watson shall thereafter comply with any recommendations of the specialist, including submission of written quarterly reports, until discharged from therapy. Upon receipt of the evaluation, the Board may request Ms. Watson reappear at an informal conference in order to consider the specialist's recommendations and make a final disposition in the matter.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Watson unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Watson within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Jennifer Watkins, RN 0001-107048

Ms. Watkins appeared, accompanied by Nathan Mortier, Esquire.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:35 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Watkins. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:50 P.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Caliwagan moved issue an Order of reprimand to Jennifer Watkins.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Watkins unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Watkins within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Kimberly Heffler, RN 0001-192328

Ms. Heffler appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 3:10 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Heffler. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 3:20 P.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Caliwagan moved issue an Order of reprimand to Kimberly Heffler.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Heffler unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Heffler within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Jennifer Lyon, RN 0001-203419

Ms. Lyon did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 3:30 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Lyon. Additionally, Ms. Caliwagan moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Gaines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 3:40 P.M.

Ms. Caliwagan moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.


ACTION:

Ms. Caliwagan moved to offer Jennifer Lyon a Consent Order for indefinite suspension of her license in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Lyon and the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 3:45 P.M.



Jane Elliott, RN, PhD
Discipline Staff